

# The Prayer God Could Not Answer

by Shane Idleman

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*Shane Idleman explores the profound significance of Jesus' prayer in Gethsemane, emphasizing the necessity of his sacrifice and submission to God's will.*

**Duration:** 2:42

**Scripture:** Matthew 26:39, Luke 22:42, John 12:27, Philippians 2:8, Hebrews 5:7-8

**Topics:** "The Cross", "Submission To God"

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## Description

This sermon delves into the profound moment when Jesus prayed a prayer in the garden of Gethsemane, asking God to take away the cup of wrath and indignation that awaited Him on the cross. Despite the intense stress and agony Jesus faced, he ultimately submitted to the Father's will, acknowledging that there was no other way for the sins of the world to be atoned for.

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## Transcript

The mother saw the son hung upon the cross. Could you see that? I couldn't. That's why we're here.

We can't forget this foundational truth. Do you know that this point in time was so horrific, so horrific, that Jesus Christ himself said a prayer that God did not answer? Jesus prayed a prayer that God didn't answer? Yeah. Shane, you're getting a little off here, no.

Jesus prayed a prayer that God did not answer. He could not answer. No, no, no, Shane, you need to check your text again.

I did. This text has brought me to tears many times and I've preached on this at other places. The prayer that God did not answer, that Jesus prayed, you know what it is? Most people know what it is.

Father, take this cup from me. Father. He's not saying it like I'm saying it.

He's in the garden of Gethsemane with blood coming out of his forehead. You really believe that, Shane? Yeah, when the corpuscles are under so much stress, ask any physician worth their salt. They'll tell you that that is possible, to be actually dripping the blood, because what's going to happen? God, take away from me.

Jesus said, Lord, if there be any other way, take away this cup. This cup, what's he talking about? It's oltescent imagery. The cup and wrath and indignation of God, basically when all hell breaks loose.

He said, take this cup, because when the wrath of God is poured upon the cross, at Calvary, the sins of the world culminating on that point in history, that's what Jesus is saying. Is there any other way? Father, is there any other way? Anything else? Any other way we can do? Any backup plans? Now's the time to do it. Any other way? And you know what he said? No, son.

There's no other way. There's no other way. The son had to submit to the will of the father.

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